

## **MINUTES**

### **A regular meeting of the China Grove Town Council**

**Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011  
7:00 p.m.**

**China Grove Town Hall  
China Grove, North Carolina**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bringle called the meeting of May 3, 2011 to order and welcomed all in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Bringle called roll. All council members were present with the exception of Mr. Overcash, there was a quorum. The meeting started at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Mr. Seaford made a motion to adopt the agenda for the regular meeting of the Town Council on May 3, 2011. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Upright made a motion to adopt the April 5, 2011 special meeting minutes. Mr. Seaford seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

I) Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a Taxi Business

Mr. Deal stated that he would like the Council to address the issue that the name on the Certificate of Insurance and Application.

Mr. Upright asked if the driver has experience driving.

The driver is present and said that he does have experience.

Mr. Upright asked if there were ever a flat rate fee or just metered.

The driver stated that they do allow a flat rate fee.

Mayor Bringle stated that at one time there was a taxi service in town in the past and they used to operate under a flat rate system.

Mayor Bringle requested to table this item until the information is correct. He stated he would like to see that this service is provided in the community but the paperwork needs to be corrected.

Mr. Brooke stated to make the motion pending changes made.

Mayor Bringle asked that they be in contact with Mr. Deal.

Mayor Bringle opened the Public Hearing.

There were no further comments.

Mayor Bringle closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Upright made a motion to order the certificate be issued for China Grove Taxi pending the correction of the addresses and name. Mr. Linn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **I) Annexation Request – Northend Plaza**

Mr. Deal stated that they received a voluntary request to be annexed into the Town limits.

Mr. Withers made a motion to adopt Resolution Directing the Clerk to Investigate. Mr. Seaford seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Upright made a motion to adopt Resolution Fixing Date of the Public Hearing on the Question of Annexation. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mayor Bringle set the Public Hearing for June 7, 2011.

### **II) Resolution to Execute and Implement an Agreement to Transfer to the City of Salisbury the China Grove Water and Wastewater System**

Mr. Deal stated that Mr. Brooke and Staff have been working very closely with SRU over many years and are finally seeing this transfer happen.

Mr. Linn stated that he wanted to see that the water tower remains “China Grove” on the side.

Mayor Bringle asked the audience if there were anyone who wanted to speak for or against the transfer to Salisbury.

Mr. Seaford made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Execute and Implement an Agreement to Transfer to the City of Salisbury the China Grove Water and Wastewater System. Mr. Withers seconded the motion. Mayor Bringle stated that the City of Salisbury and Staff will be preparing the citizens for the transfer. Mr. Upright asked that it be put on the website as well. The motion carried 3-1 with Mr. Linn casting the opposing vote.

### III) Approval of Audit Contract 2010-2011

Mrs. Bopp stated that the Audit Contract provided from Sherrill & Smith. She stated the price has gone up slightly and is reflected within the budget. She stated that the Town will have a “single audit” because of receiving over \$500,000 from state funds. She stated that this contract is for one year.

Mr. Seaford made a motion to accept the Audit Contract from Sherrill & Smith for Fiscal Year 2011-2012. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Bringle asked about the status of the renovations.

Mr. Deal stated that they have been given their “Notice to Proceed” and asked for a letter in writing that they have not begun construction. He stated that a bulldozer has been delivered onto the property.

Mayor Bringle asked that the parking lots be marked off so there can be no parking.

Mayor Bringle thanked Staff for installing the two new signs located at the North entrance into town. He asked that they install landscaping, including chinaberry trees.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Bringle stated that the budget meeting will be held Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.

Mr. Deal stated that Staff has worked to receive bids for solid waste collection. He stated that three bids have been received and the lowest bidder includes recycling and looks great for the Town. He stated that most companies include a fuel surcharge and the lowest bidder does not include that in their RFP.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Upright made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Seaford seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**Amanda A. Eller, Town Clerk**

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**Donald E. Bringle, Mayor**